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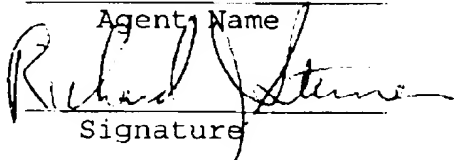
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

This is in response to the nonfinal Office Action mailed
February 21, 2003. Reconsideration is respectfully requested in
view of the amendments and arguments following:

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicant hereby requests a three-month extension of time extending the time for response from May 21, 2003 up to and including August 21, 2003. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the required \$930 fee to Deposit Account No. 23-1703. Any other fee which may be due in connection with this Petition may likewise be charged.